



This Week at St. Brendan's

Serving Sunday, October 20, 2019

Sunday	(10-20)	8:00 a.m.	Worship	Celebrant:		The Rev. Regis Smolko		
		8:45 a.m.	Hospitality Hour	Lay Reader:	8 a.m.	Sylvia Affleck		
		8:45 a.m.	Brother's Brother Ministry		10 a.m.	Sheila Bigelow		
		9:00 a.m.	Job, Adult Formation	Acolyte:		Acolyte team		
		9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal Worship	Prayers:		Dean Peters		
		10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Chalice Bearer	s:	Joyce Donadee		
		11:15 a.m.	Evacuation Drill			Michael Donadee		
		11:30 a.m.	CRIES meeting	Altar Guild:		Chris Botti		
		11:30 a.m.	Hospitality Hour			Brigid Christenson		
		11:30 a.m.	Chime Choir	Sunday School Lambs:		-		
Monday	(10-21)	9:00 a.m.	Men's breakfast	-	Fish:	Sylvia Affleck		
	,	11:00 a.m.	Be a Modern Episcopalian		Door:	Mary Bertucci		
		6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Rite 13 meeting Worship meeting	Nursery:		Stephanie Illsley		
				•		Julia Wick		
Tuesday	(10-22)	-22) 7:00 a.m.	AA meeting	Ushers:		Larry Toler		
	(10:00 a.m.	Conversation Friends			Bradford Thompson		
		10:30 a.m.	Bible Conversations Love ~ Teach ~ Heal	Vestry:		Larry Toler		
		7:00 p.m.		Hospitality:		The Aretz and Kinley families		
Wednesday	(10-23)	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Job, Adult Formation Worship Overeaters Anonymous Conversation Friends Choir rehearsal	LEM:		Joyce Donadee		
Thursday	(10-24)	10:00 a.m.	Conversation Friends					
Saturday	(10-26)	9:00 a.m.	Sacristans					

The Priest's Corner

Thank You, Debbie

St. Brendan's music director, Debbie Wunsche, has decided to step down after 17 years of tireless dedication. Her resignation will take effect Dec. 1 so that she can give more time to family responsibilities. We understand and support her decision, but we are sorry to lose her.

As the staff member in charge of music, Debbie has directed and sustained our Senior Choir, led and promoted our Chime Choir, engaged our children in liturgical music and encouraged individual parishioners to share their musical talents with the congregation. The impact of her energy and commitment on St. Brendan's has been deep and far-reaching. Difficult as it will be to fill her shoes, the parish will be seeking a new music director. Regardless of who will follow Debbie, our devoted Senior Choir will remain at the core of Sunday worship and a rich musical lineup will continue to be a top priority at St. Brendan's.

Please join us in thanking Debbie for her incredible service and the indelible mark she has made on St. Brendan's.

Regis+ and Senior Warden Tom Waseleski

Announcements

Parish Notes. At Monday night's meeting St. Brendan's Vestry:

• Approved a \$10,975 contract with Oeler Industries for installation of sound-absorbing acoustic panels in the social hall. The money will be taken from the Brendan's Family and Friends fund.

• Reviewed plans for next month's stewardship campaign, including the option to pledge online;

Began discussions on a proposed 2020 parish budget. —Tom Waseleski, Senior Warden (<u>twaseleski@comcast.net</u>)

The **once-a-month Coffee Hour** between services is **THIS Sunday**, **October 20**. If you'd like to lend a hand, we'll also be helping Brother's Brother Foundation by folding envelopes for their newsletter. Hand work is therapeutic!



Following the 10:00 a.m. service **THIS Sunday, October 20**, we will be conducting an **evacuation drill**. We have several goals: (1) to make everyone comfortable with the procedures we have adopted for use in an emergency; (2) to see what practical challenges we may face in evacuating our building quickly and safely; and (3) to work with less physically nimble Brendanites on plans for their safety. After the recessional hymn, please stay in your seats. We will give you some basic instructions, following by the drill which itself should take less than 10 minutes. We will then return to the social hall for Hospitality Hour, during which the Safety and Security Committee will

make a presentation and address your questions and concerns. [PLEASE NOTE: (a) If the weather is inclement, we will carry on with the instructional program but save the drill for a later date. (b) A shorter presentation will be made at the end of the 8:00 a.m. service.]

CRIES Advocacy. Christian Response In Emergency Situations meets monthly on the third Sunday in the library after the 10 a.m. service to determine distribution of the parish's outreach tithe each month. Each person present has an equal voice and vote on where the money goes.

This month we are praying for the work of the American Red Cross, <u>www.redcross.org</u>, and Brother's Brother Foundation, <u>www.brothersbrother.org</u>. The CRIES Committee has decided to give the entire September distribution to relief for victims of Hurricane Dorian. The next meeting will be **THIS Sunday**, **October 20**. All are welcome.

A BFF donation was given in celebration of Sylvia Affleck and her new home, from Betsy and Bob Smith.



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Did you know? Twenty-three members of Christ Episcopal Church, North Hills, created St. Brendan's in 1987 as a mission parish, with the love and support of their former rector and parishioners? For our first three years, St. Brendan's services were held on Saturday evenings at Heritage Presbyterian Church on Rochester Road, where we also hosted Wednesday evening Holy Eucharist and classes. Sunday Morning Prayer services were followed by Chime Choir practice. Our first wedding and baptism were held in 1987, and a mere four years later

groundbreaking for the original church building was held on May 8, 1991. Our first service in our sanctuary, which is now the social hall, was on Palm Sunday, 1992. Several of the original members are still active in our church life.



This month **Book Club** is reading a novel by local, best-selling author Stewart O'Nan. "Emily, Alone" is the portrayal of an elderly Pittsburgh widow and her domestic pleasures, concerns, and crises as the calendar year moves from holiday to holiday and she struggles to maintain family relationships. Join us as we relax and discuss the book on November 7 at 7 p.m. in the church library. Books are available in print and audio formats at the library.



Newcomers, save the date – Join Father Regis and Ken for a newcomers' brunch after church on **November 10** to learn more about life at St. Brendan's. A sign-up sheet is on the Welcome Table and we will provide directions the Moores' home in Seven Fields, about 20 minutes north of the church. We look forward to seeing you at the home of Janice and Dan Moore, 543 Dorchester Drive, Seven Fields, Pa.



Quiet Evening Prayer. The next candlelight Evening Prayer service will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 30. Please add this date/time to your calendar if you would like to attend. The service includes Taize music and silent prayer, reflection, or meditation – with Communion afterwards for those who wish to remain. This is a perfect way to recover from a busy and, perhaps stressful, day. Bring a friend and enjoy this quiet time with the Lord.

Bible study for those whose first language is not English. If you know someone who might be interested in this, please contact Fr. Regis or Joyce Donadee.



Roll to the Polls: The Justice Committee, in partnership with the Black Political Empowerment Project, is helping to provide rides for those who need help getting to their polling place to vote. If you are able to provide even one ride, please call Marilyn Mulvihill at 412-427-2715. And don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 5.

Second truck for Haiti: Isaac Mondelus, our parishioner from Haiti, is purchasing a second truck bound for Haiti. Donations are requested to help fill the truck with items such as: sewing machines, light-weight clothing (no sweaters, or extra-large sizes), bicycles, toothbrushes toothpaste, and school supplies (pens, pencils, notebooks, sharpeners). Boxes will be provided for collection. Isaac and the Justice Ministry gratefully appreciate any help you can give.

Regis is looking for a small TV and DVD player to start holding an international Bible study for five of our Conversation Friends. If you can donate a small TV, no larger than 36 inches, a DVR and perhaps a cart, he'd be very grateful for the donation.

Online Giving. St. Brendan's now has online giving on its website! Check it out here: https://www.stbrendans.org/giving. It's an easy way for members and visitors to make a secure, one-time donation from a credit card or bank account. After researching various options, the vestry decided to use tithe ly for the church's online giving platform. This site charges a small fee for each donation, but the tithe ly widget also offers donors the option to cover these fees. Because of the small fees, members are encouraged to continue to make their sustaining or recurring gifts (such as pledges) in person or through their bank. (Did you know you can have your bank send St. Brendan's a check drawn from your account as if you were paying a bill, with no additional fees? Check with Katie for more info.) In addition to a button for online donations, members who go to the web page will find other information about giving, stewardship, the Brendan's Family and Friends fund, and fundraisers. Please direct any guestions to Annemarie Malbon.

All parish leaders, ordained and laity, are required through the canons of the Episcopal Church to take anti-racism training. The Seeing the Face of God in Each Other workshop has proven to all who have taken it to be more than a requirement to fulfill, but an experience to live more deeply into the baptismal vows to "seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself," "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being," and "proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ." We will with God's help, and this training helps us on the way. Please register for the upcoming training at St. Peter's Church, Brownsville, on October 25 and 26 by using the link here. Responses are needed by this Monday, October 21.



Brendan's Boots. The parish hiking group will hit the fall foliage trail on Monday, Oct. 28, with a walk along Lake Arthur at Moraine State Park. Lunch will follow at the Log Cabin Inn near Harmony. Participants will meet at the church at 9 a.m. Everyone welcome; feel free to bring a friend. For more info, contact Tom Waseleski, twaseleski@comcast.net.



The 19th annual Cookie Walk is fast approaching and we're hoping to involve as many Brendanites as possible this year, making it a real team effort. There are lots of opportunities to participate: baking cookies (small, gourmet varieties if possible) making soup, helping to decorate the church, helping in the kitchen, contributing items for Brendan's Boutique, manning the Cookie Walk, organizing the vendor shuttle and directing the parking lot traffic, being a cashier, and last, but definitely not least, helping with the cleanup! Signup sheets are on the table in the narthex.



Quilt Raffle. Two beautiful handmade quilts have been donated to St. Brendan's to raise funds for our parish. One is a Pittsburgh Penguins guilt made just in time for hockey season! The other is an animal print quilt made by Nancy Skavish, a beloved founding member who passed away a few years ago. Consequently, the Book Club will be sponsoring a guilt raffle, and tickets will be sold after church and during upcoming fundraising events.

Be sure to check out these beautiful works of art and purchase some tickets. You just might win! Proceeds will benefit children's Christian formation efforts here at St. Brendan's. Feel free to see Chris Botti or Pat Carl if you need more info. Thank you!



Adult Formation Study – Job and "The Mystery of Suffering: Spiritual Reflections" by Richard Rohr. The Book of Job is almost too difficult to understand. However, Job has a lot to teach us about his relationship with God and suffering. Join us for a weekly study, facilitated by Ruth Getz, on the important themes woven throughout the Book of Job and a time of reflection on the mystery of suffering.

This book is easy to read and understand! This study is being offered Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Books may be purchased new or used from Amazon (amazon.com).



North Hills Food Pantry. For the month of October we are asking you to donate anything pumpkin: snacks, baking, coffee, canned items. The North Hills Food Bank needs any kind of non-perishable food. Please remember, no glass jars. If you have any questions, contact Larry Toler, Idtoler@aol.com. Thank you for your support.





Need a gift for someone who has everything? Would you like a way to acknowledge a special family event like a baptism or a birthday? A donation to the Brendan's Family and Friends (BFF) fund is the perfect way to honor that special person or event. BFF funds are earmarked for unbudgeted building needs and have been utilized for items such as air conditioning replacements, audio-visual equipment; safety film on some glass doors and windows, and of course our upcoming acoustic tile work in the social hall. Please pick up a BFF card in the narthex or from our website and make a donation today! Your donation will be noted in the Little Log and bulletin if you wish.

Thank you for making a difference at St. Brendan's by becoming a BFF donor!



Easy Funds for St. Brendan's! You may not know it, but St. Brendan's earns 5% for each gift card that we sell!
Basically, if you eat, you can raise funds for our church! It's easy! Just visit the vestry member who is selling gift cards in the narthex each Sunday after the 10 a.m. service, buy a gift card for Kuhn's and/or Giant Eagle, do your usual grocery shopping or gasoline pumping, then pay for it with the card purchased at St. Brendan's! Thanks for your support of the easiest fundraiser in town!



Do you want to help the immigrants who are coming to our **English as a Second Language** classes? The students need volunteers who can babysit their very young children in the nursery while their mothers are in class. The need for babysitters is for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We can help you to get your clearances if you don't have them yet! If you are interested, please call Joyce Donadee at 412-635-2312 or e-mail at jdjdonadee@gmail.com.



Used ink cartridges. St. Brendan's benefits from donations of used computer ink cartridges. Please bring them to church and place the cartridge in the box near Katie's office. We have saved at least \$80 in office supplies already. Thank you.



Do you have a special prayer request? You can write one and leave it on the prayer plate by Regis' office. On Sunday those prayers are offered up to God during the 8:00 a.m. service. Each week they are collected by the Community of Hope and added to their daily prayers. You can also email prayer requests to stbrendans.coh@gmail.com. Community of Hope members will include those persons in daily prayers or send out a prayer via text or email to someone if requested. All prayers and requests are kept confidential.

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 https://nextdoor.com/pages/st-brendans-episcopal-church-sewickley-pa/recommend/

Trinity Cathedral Walk-In Ministry. Every five weeks Brendanites help to staff the Walk-In Ministry at Trinity Cathedral downtown, feeding and clothing 70 to 90 desperately needy people. You can help by donating children's diapers; new, white athletic socks and underwear for women and men; toothpaste, razors and travel size cans of shaving cream. Please leave donations in the wicker basket outside Regis's office. If you might be interested in volunteering at the cathedral in person, please see Linda Schneider, Meg Overby or Tim Austin.

Please scroll to the next few pages for the Hospitality Hour schedule and the October & November ministry calendars.



October 2019 Ministry calendar

Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Sunday School	Nursery	Usher	Vestry	Hospitality
October 2 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves	~	~	~	~	~
October 6 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Joe Macklin L Susan Shoemaker P Tim Austin C Stacey Coyle C Tim Austin LEV Darrell Johnson	Joan Beatrous Shari Tarrant	Lambs Saundra Waseleski Fish Janice Moore Door Connie Weichel	Stephanie IIIsley Libby Juel	Joyce & Michael Donadee	Annemarie Malbon	Melanie Popovich Thaddeus Popovich
October 9 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Alan Schneider	Linda Schneider	~	~	~	~	~
October 13 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ellen Groves L Dean Peters P Nate Boyd C Dean Peters C Janice Moore LEV Stacey Coyle	Ellen Groves Betsy Smith	Lambs TBD Fish Allison Kline Door Meghan Karn	Stephanie IIIsley Sarika Sethia	Bob Smith Eric Helmsen	Janice Moore	Dotti &Carl Antonucci
October 16 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Sylvia Affleck	Sylvia Affleck	~	~	~	~	~
October 20 Sunday 8 &10:00 am	8 Sylvia Affleck L Sheila Bigelow P Dean Peters C Joyce Donadee C Michael Donadee LEV Joyce Donadee	Chris Botti Brigid Christenson	Lambs Chris Fleissner Fish Sylvia Affleck Door Mary Bertucci	Stephanie IIIsley Julia Wick	Brad Thompson Larry Toler	Larry Toler	The Kinley family The Aretz family
October 23 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Tammy Spoonhoward	Tammy Spoonhoward	~	~	~	~	~
October 27 Sunday 8 &10:00 am Children's Sunday	8 Ruth Horton L Children P Children C Darrell Johnson C Janice Moore LEV Richard Gordon	Tammy Spoonhoward Janice Moore	Children's Liturgy	Stephanie IIIsley Pat Carl	Chris Fleissner Mike Wick	Chris Botti	Lauren Chappo Rebecca Sands
October 30 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves	~	~	~	~	~



November 2019 Ministry calendar

Date	Lectors	Altar Guild	Sunday School	Nursery	Usher	Vestry	Hospitality
November 3 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 George Snyder L Tim Austin P Tony Turo C Stacy Coyle C Tim Austin LEV Ruth Getz	Terry Dezort Anelisa Tarrant	Lambs Saundra Waseleski Fish Janice Moore Door Lauren Ramakrishna	Stephanie IIIsley Silvia Bertucci	Joyce Donadee Michael Donadee	Tim Austin	Brenna Conroy Kristen Bailey
November 6 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Sylvia Affleck	Sylvia Affleck	~	~	~	~	~
November 10 Sunday 8 & 10:00 am	8 Ruth Getz L Nate Boyd P Sheila Bigelow C Dean Peters C Janice Moore LEV Ruth Horton	Sylvia Affleck Shari Tarrant	Lambs TBD Fish Allison Kline Door TBD	Stephanie IIIsley Sarika Sethia	Bob Smith Eric Helmsen	Kevin Boyd	Melinda & Wesley Bell
November 13 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Alan Schneider	Linda Schneider	~	~	~	~	~
November 17 Sunday 8 &10:00 am	8 Joan Beatrous L Annemarie Malbon P Michael Donadee C Joyce Donadee C Michael Donadee LEV Darrell Johnson	Chris Botti Janice Moore	Lambs TBD Fish Sylvia Affleck Door Meghan Karn	Stephanie IIIsley Pat Carl	Brad Thompson Larry Toler	Dean Peters	Sheila Bigelow Jim Roche
November 20 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Ellen Groves	Ellen Groves	~	~	~	~	~
November 24 Sunday 8 &10:00 am Children's Sunday	8 Joe Macklin L Children P Children C Darrell Johnson C Dean Peters LEV Stacey Coyle	Ellen Groves Brigid Christenson	Children's Liturgy	Stephanie IIIsley Julia Wick	Chris Fleissner Mike Wick	Ruth Horton	Hospitality Committee
November 27 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Tammy Spoonhoward	Tammy Spoonhoward	~	~	~	~	~

Hospitality Hour Hosts/Hostesses

October 2019 September 2020

October 2019

- 6 Melanie & Thaddeus Popovich
- 13 Dottie & Carl Antonucci
- 20 Kinley & Aretz families
- 27 Lauren Chappo & Becca Sands

November 2019

- 3 Brenna Conroy & Kristen Bailey
- 10 Melinda & Wesley Bell
- 17 Sheila Bigelow & Jim Roche
- 24 Hospitality Committee

December 2019

- 1 Kate & Mike Bunn
- 8 Julie Smith & Colette Satler
- 15 Brigid & Jim Christenson
- 22 Hospitality Committee
- 29 Stacey Coyle & Andrea Dickerson

January 2020

- 5 Karen Dennis & Janet Fesq
- 12 Connie & Richard Weichel
- 19 Joyce & Michael Donadee
- 26 Annual Meeting, Vestry

February 2020

- 2 Super Bowl
- 9 Trish & Neil Galone
- 16 Gail Gil & Richard Gordon
- 23 Maria Hoober & Cameron Grosh

March 2020

- 1 Clair & Bob Grotevant
- 8 Ellie & Kevin Harkins
- 15 Linda Limberis & Eric Helmsen
- 22 Kate & Keith Heston
- 29 Meghan & Robert Karn

<u>April 2020</u>

- 5 Cindy & Pete Larson
- 12 Hospitality Committee
- 19 Libby & Phoebe Juel
- 26 Stephanie Illsley & Justin Ziegler

<u>May 2020</u>

- 3 Cindy & Pete Larson
- 10 Parish Men
- 17 Laureen & Todd Douds
- 24 Sharon & Ron Ladick
- 31 Linda & Jason Konley

<u>June 2020</u>

- 7 Marian & AJ McKenna
- 14 Annemarie Malbon & Joe Macklin
- 21 Erica & Mark McClure
- 28 Parish Picnic

<u>July 2020</u>

- 5 Marilyn Mulliville & Tim Michael
- 12 Jean Pett-Ridge & Isaac Mondelus
- 19 Kate & John Riley
- 26 Joni Reis & Thaddeus Popovich

August 2020

- 2 Lauren & Ashwin Ramakrishna
- 9 Arlena & Bill Pugliese
- 16 Anne Semmler & Andrew Sprentz
- 23 Saundy & Tom Waseleski
- 30 AJ Turo & Ginny Volpini

September 2020

- 6 Nancy & George Snyder
- 13 Emmalynne & Michael Waseleski
- 20 Emily & Brad Zupancic
- 27 Gail Gagnon & Chris Fleissner



ST. BRENDAN'S MISSION

Jesus said, "I have come to give life – life in all its fullness." John 10:10. Our mission is the realization of fullness through: the worship of God; service to the world; active concern for each other; and education to expand mind and spirit.

VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: Tom Waseleski Jr. Warden & Education: Ruth Horton Worship & Safety/Security: Tim Austin Fundraising & Clerk: Chris Botti Finance & Technology: Kevin Boyd Communication: Annemarie Malbon Inreach & Hospitality: Janice Moore Newcomers: Dean Peters Invite/Welcome/Connect & Outreach: Larry Toler

Treasurer: Ellen Groves

WORSHIP MINISTRY LEADERS

Acolytes: Anelisa Tarrant Altar Guild: Tammy Spoonhoward Community of Hope: Ruth Horton Flower Ministry: Sylvia Affleck Libby Juel Scheduler: Kelli Cerra Ushers: Eric Helmsen

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY LEADERS

Audit: Kevin Boyd Book Club: Pat Carl Brendan's Boots: Tom Waseleski Dinner Group: Janice Moore Finance Chair: Eric Helmsen Green Thumb Gang: Roger Botti Historian: Ellen Groves Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale: Anelisa Tarrant Invite Welcome Connect: Bradford Thompson Memorial Garden: Dan Moore Merry Meal Makers (M&M's): Saundy Waseleski Nurserv: TBD Parish Profile: Kelli Cerra Reiki Ministry: Melanie Popovich Rental: Mark Shoemaker Scholarship: Tom Waseleski Sticks & Strings: Joni Reis **Debbie Jennings** Web Site: Kelli Cerra

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